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THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" No, but a representation on the subject has been received from the hon. Member which is under consideration."

Tariff concessions to Indian hand-woven carpets.

* 1216 Q.—SRI B. K. NALLASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government of Madras have received any representations from the carpet merchants, Bhavani, to recommend to the Central Government to show tariff concessions to Indian hand-woven cotton carpets as is shown to the other handloom products; and

(b) whether any recommendation has been made so far?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (a) Yes, Sir. Representations were received by Government from the Handloom Carpet Manufacturers' Association, Bhavani, and the Kaithari Jamakkalam Thayarippor Sangham, Bhavani, complaining about the refusal of the Railway authorities to accept booking of handloom carpets at half parcel rates.

" (b) Yes, and as a result of the same, the Railway authorities have agreed to extend the half-rate concession to consignments of handloom carpets booked by parcel or passenger trains, with effect from 15th May 1953."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Question No. 1217."

SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH :—" I put the question, Sir. But I wish to make a small alteration. The alteration is, in clause (c) instead of the words ' District Magistrate ' the words ' Divisional Magistrate ' should be substituted."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member cannot correct his question now."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" It would be very helpful, if the question is corrected, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" But it would be quite unparliamentary to do so now."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" Sir, when a question of fact is involved and when one officer is mentioned and we get all information about it, if a sudden change of the name or identity of the officer is proposed another officer being put in, the matter gets complicated. However, I will just answer it as it stands and the hon. Member may ignore my answer to clause (c)." 9-20 a.m.

Orders under section 144 in Guntur town.

* 1217 Q.—SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether an order under section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code was promulgated in Guntur town on 16th June 1953;